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TO AMEMBASSY TUNIS PRIORITY  
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SUBJECT: TSS/AGRICULTURAL LAND DEVELOPMENT MAY, 1976

REF: (A) TUNIS 1071;939 (B) RABAT 965; 687; (C) ALGIERS  
288 (D) STATE 30212 DECEMBER 1975 (E) CASABLANCA 197

1. ROBERT LONG, ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF AGRICULTURE FOR RE-  
SEARCH, CONSERVATION AND EDUCATION HAS AGREED TO BE SE-  
MINAR CHAIRMAN. HIS POSITION AT DA INCLUDES THE AGRICUL-  
TURAL RESEARCH SERVICE, COOPERATIVE STATE RESEARCH SERVICE,  
FOREST SERVICE, NATIONAL AGRICULTURAL LIBRARY, SOIL CON-  
SERVATION SERVICE, AND THE EXTENSION SERVICE. MR. LONG WOULD  
LIKE TO HAVE APPOINTMENTS WITH THE AGRICULTURAL ATTACHES AS  
WELL AS OTHER APPROPRIATE LOCAL GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS. AD-  
VANCE OFFICER WILL CARRY MR. LONG'S PRESENTATION.

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2. PROCUREMENT STATUS: CHECKS ARE RECEIVED OR IN THE MAIL FROM THE FOLLOWING COMPANIES: IRRIGATION & INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT; SUPERIOR FARMING; JACOBS INTERNATIONAL; ROME INDUSTRIES; DRAVO; FOOD MACHINERY CORPORATION (FMC); AND AMOCO. SEMINAR THEMES WILL BE OUTLINED IN NEXT CABLE.

3. FLIGHT SCHEDULING: PER REFERENCE CABLE E, COMMERCE IS

AWARE OF FLIGHT SCHEDULE PROBLEMS. AS CURRENTLY PLANNED, ADVANCE OFFICER JACOBSON & THE SEMINAR GROUP WILL FLY FROM CASABLANCA TO ALGIERS VIA MARSEILLES & FROM ALGIERS TO TUNIS VIA ROME IF NECESSARY.

4. FOR TUNIS: IN RESPONSE TO REFERENCE CABLE (A) DUE TO PROCUREMENT EFFORTS & OTHER ARRANGEMENTS MADE WITH ALGIERS & RABAT, WE FEEL SEMINAR IN TUNIS CANNOT BE POSTPONED. (B) WE WOULD VERY DEFINITELY PREFER TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE FINAL WEEK OF THE INTERNATIONAL SEMINAR ON AGRICULTURAL PROJECT PREPARATION. PLEASE CONFIRM FEASIBILITY OF THIS SUGGESTION. IS THE DIRECTOR OF THE CENTER FOR AGRICULTURAL RESEARCH OPEN TO SUCH A SUGGESTION COMMERCE AGREES CNRA WOULD BE IDEAL CO-SPONSOR AS SEMINAR PARTICIPANTS ARE PROJECT ORIENTED.

5. TRANSLATIONS: WE ACCEPT EMBASSY SUGGESTION (RABAT 687) FOR TRANSLATIONS OF PAPERS IN RABAT FOR ALL MAGHREB COUNTRIES. ADVANCE OFFICER WILL BRING ALL PAPERS IN ENGLISH, ESTIMATED TOTAL 80 PAGES. REQUEST EMBASSY ARRANGE FOR TRANSLATORS SO THAT WORK CAN BEGIN WHEN ADVANCE OFFICER ARRIVES RABAT. HOPEFULLY FINISHED TRANSLATIONS OF FULL PAPERS CAN ARRIVE IN OTHER POSTS BEFORE END OF ADVANCE TRIP MARCH 25.

6. PRINTING OF BROCHURES: PER STATE 25304 ADVANCE OFFICER WILL BRING ENGLISH TEXTS OF BROCHURE, INCLUDING BIODATA ON PARTICIPANTS, COMPANY SUMMARY, & SUMMARY OF PAPERS FOR TRANSLATION AND PRINTING IN CASABLANCA. ADVANCE OFFICER WILL ALSO HAND CARRY NEGATIVE FOR COVER DESIGN & WOULD APPRECIATE APPOINTMENT ON FRIDAY MARCH 12 WITH USIS OFFICER IN CASABLANCA TO ARRANGE FOR PRINTING OF BROCHURE COVERS. PRICES LISTED IN REFERENCE CABLE (E) FIT OUR UNCLASSIFIED

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BUDGET FOR PRINTING OF BROCHURES. WE WISH TO SHIP BROCHURE TO ALGIERS FROM CASABLANCA, DIRECTLY OR INDIRECTLY.

7. INTERPRETERS: IT IS IMPOSSIBLE TO BRING SIMULTANEOUS INTERPRETERS TO NORTH AFRICA FROM EITHER EUROPE OR U.S. FOR ALGIERS: WE UNDERSTAND TWO INTERPRETERS RESERVED FOR ALGIERS SEMINAR ARE THEY WILLING AND ABLE TO TRAVEL TO TU-

NIS FOR TUNISIAN SEMINAR? PLEASE CONFIRM THEIR AVAILABILITY FOR TUNIS. FOR TUNIS: IF INTERPRETERS FROM ALGIERS CANNOT TRAVEL TO TUNISIA, WE AGREE WITH TUNIS 939 THAT LOCAL CONSECUTIVE INTERPRETERS ARE NOT SUITABLE FOR SEMINAR RESPONSIBILITIES, INCLUDING QUESTION & ANSWER PERIODS. SEE

FOLLOWING MESSAGE FOR RABAT/CASABLANCA. FOR RABAT/CASABLANCA: WE ASK POSTS TO DOUBLE CHECK WITH GOM AGENCIES WHICH SPONSOR BILINGUAL CONFERENCES AND WITH COMPANIES WHICH HAVE DONE SO, E.G. ATLAS COPCO. WE ALSO SUGGEST CONTACTING U.N. AND F.A.O. OFFICES RABAT.

8. TRANSLATION EQUIPMENT; AS CURRENTLY PLANNED, COMMERCE

COORDINATOR WILL HAND CARRY NEW HIGH QUALITY SIMULTANEOUS EQUIPMENT WITH SEMINAR TEAM, WITH EIGHTY HEADSETS.

9. COMMERCE NEEDS IMMEDIATE CONFIRMATION OF HOTEL SPACE FOR ADVANCE OFFICER PER REF D. ALSO PLEASE CONFIRM HOTEL RESERVATIONS FOR SEMINAR GROUP IN CASABLANCA, RABAT, AND TUNIS. INGERSOLL

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